

Fred Gunk's

Finisher[®] Blind

DIRECTIONS FOR USE



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Congratulations on the purchase of the most incredible hunting blind you will ever use! Fred Zink's FINISHER® BLIND is the result of years of waterfowl hunting knowledge combined with the most relentless product design/testing team in the hunting industry. When used as instructed, your Finisher® offers you a durable, compact and highly effective ground blind that is low profile, comfortable and easily transported and stored. Your Finisher® may be the most important piece of waterfowl hunting equipment you have ever owned so please follow these instructions for its optimal performance and long life.

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SET-UP

Your Finisher® is ready to use! Simply follow these step-by-step directions and refer to the photographs for a complete understanding of set-up and takedown.

Step 1

- Place the folded Finisher® on the ground, detach the cinch strap and remove it from the loop lock allowing the blind to unfold naturally.
- Unfold the *BootBag™* forward so that the entire blind is flat on the ground with the *Camo Cover* side facing upward.

Step 2

- Lift the *Upper Frame* and push it forward until the *Tension Cables* are fully extended (as shown in the "Frame Parts" photo at the end of the directions.

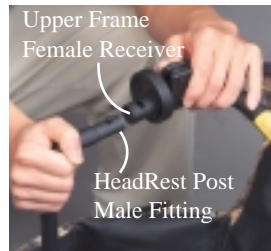


Photo 1

- While depressing the *HeadRest Post Push Buttons*, insert the *HeadRest Post Male Fittings* into the *Upper Frame Female Receivers* (see Photo 1.) The push buttons should snap into place when they reach the elongated holes on the *Upper Frame Female Receivers*.

Step 3

- Locate the "U" shaped *HeadRest* that is at the top of the *Padded Seat*. It is held in place between the *Padded Seat* and the two adjustable webbing seat straps.
- Insert the male ends of the *HeadRest* into the female connectors on the *HeadRest Posts* as shown in Photo 2.
- To make sure that the *HeadRest* is seated correctly, apply several light bumps to the top of it with the palm of your hand. For best results, the *HeadRest* should be firmly in place and level.

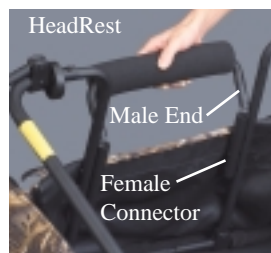


Photo 2

- Pull the *Camo Cover* tightly over the rear tubing of the *FlipTops™* so that they are concealed totally.

Step 4

- To adjust the *Padded Seat*, simply slide the webbing straps on the back of the seat until you reach the desired position. You will need to get inside your Finisher® and test the slant of the seat several times before finding the position best suited for you. This must be done through trial and error.

- Attach the *Velcro strip* at the "head" end of the *Padded Seat* to the opposite *Velcro strip* inside the top of the *Camo Cover's* rear panel.



Photo 3

- Now secure the *Rear Panel Cinch Tabs* around the *HeadRest Posts* as shown in Photo 3.

ONCE YOU HAVE MASTERED THESE STEPS AND DEVELOPED YOUR OWN TECHNIQUE, TOTAL SET-UP SHOULD TAKE AROUND 40 SECONDS. YOU SHOULD PRACTICE SET-UP AND TAKEDOWN SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE HUNTING FROM YOUR FINISHER®.

TAKEDOWN

IMPORTANT! If the Finisher® is wet or damp when you fold it in the field, make sure to open it and allow it to dry naturally when you get home or back to camp. This will prevent mold and mildew.

Step 1

- Any natural vegetation that could keep the blind from folding should be removed from the *CamoStraps™*. It is possible to leave some vegetation attached as long as it does not interfere with the blind's folding process. Remove all gear from the blind that will inhibit the blind's folding process.

- Pull the fabric away from the rear of each *FlipTop™* so that the 90-degree bends of the tubes are exposed. This will allow the blind to collapse to a flat position without binding.

- Detach the *Velcro strips* that connect the *Padded Seat* to the *Camo Cover's* rear panel.

- Detach the *Rear Panel Cinch Tabs* that connect the rear panel to the *HeadRest Posts*.

Step 2

- Remove the *HeadRest* by applying several upward thrusts to its bottom side with the palm of your hand. This should dislodge it easily. Leave the *HeadRest* in place between the *Padded Seat* and the seat's straps.

- For the best fold, place the *Padded Seat* and *HeadRest* on the floor either left or right of the centerline so that the blind can fold without binding.

Step 3

- To disassemble the *Upper Frame*, depress the *HeadRest Post Push Buttons* and remove the *HeadRest Post Male Fittings* from the *Upper Frame Female Receivers*.

b) Allow the *HeadRest Posts* to drop forward before you lay the frame flat. If the frame "binds" or does not become completely flat, you may have forgotten to pull the fabric away from the rear corners of the *FlipTops™*.

Step 4

- a) With the doors in the "open" position, fold the *BootBag™* back over the frame. Push out any remaining air pockets and make it as flat as possible.
- b) Fold the Finisher® frame in half.
- c) Secure the frame in its folded position by feeding the cinch strap through the loop lock and attaching the Velcro strips.

Customizing the FINISHER® to Meet Your Needs

"MUDDING" YOUR FINISHER®

It is very important that you "mud" your Finisher® before using it! This process will eliminate sheen caused by the *Camo Cover's* new polyester fabric. To "mud" your cover, place several shovels of dirt (indigenous to your hunting area) into a bucket of warm water and mix thoroughly. After creating a thick and wet mud, smear the mixture over the *Camo Cover* and rub it into the grain of the fabric, the *CamoStraps™* and the *FaceFlaps™*. Allow the cover to sun dry for several hours. When it is completely dry, briskly sweep the dried residue from the cover with a broom. Your Finisher® should now have a dull, matte finish, and you are ready to head to the field!

STUBBLING/BRUSHING YOUR FINISHER®

Effectively stubbling your Finisher® will be the key to your hunting success. When you reach your hunting location, gather a good supply of natural vegetation indigenous to the area (if you are hunting in a cut cornfield, you will gather corn stalks, in a cut barley field, you will use barley stubble, etc.) and place handfuls of this vegetation into the *CamoStraps™*. You may not need to fill every *CamoStrap™*, but you should cover the blind as completely as possible. REMEMBER YOU CANNOT USE TOO MUCH NATURAL VEGETATION!

After stubbling the cover, test the *FlipTops™* to make sure they will open easily without binding.

Note: it is very important that you use naturally sun-bleached stubble. Do not use stubble, straw or vegetation from the bottoms of piles, as it may not match the rest of the field. You may want to gather extra vegetation and place it near your hunting location should you need additional stubble during your hunt.

HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT

The front of the Finisher's® *Upper Frame* can be adjusted to three different heights (10", 12" or 13") by simply raising or lowering both *Frame Risers* (refer to the "Frame Parts" photo at the end of the directions). Simply depress the push buttons and slide adjust the *Frame Risers* to the desired height making sure that the push buttons "snap" into place through the pre-drilled holes. For best results, use the lowest setting that allows you the most mobility and comfort.

The rear of the Finisher's® *Upper Frame* can be adjusted to two different heights (16" or 17") by simply raising or lowering both *HeadRest Posts Height Adjusters* (refer to the "Frame Parts" photo at the end of the directions). Simply depress the push buttons and slide adjust tubes to the desired height making sure that the push buttons "snap" into place through the pre-drilled holes. For best results, use the lowest setting that allows you the most mobility and comfort.

Note: for the lowest profile, try "digging down" with your Finisher®. This is done by digging a 6"-8" deep hole large enough for the frame portion of the blind. Place the Finisher® frame in the hole, and set the blind to your desired height setting. REMEMBER TO ASK THE LANDOWNER BEFORE YOU DIG AND ALWAYS REPLACE THE DIRT AND PACK IT INTO PLACE WHEN YOUR HUNT IS OVER.

FLIPTOP™ ADJUSTMENT

The *FlipTops™* can be adjusted to any desired slant by simply rotating the *FlipTop™ Height Adjuster Cams* (located on the *Upper Frame* near the *HeadRest*) until the desired angles are reached. For the best 3-dimensional effect, position the doors at a slight angle. Your mobility and comfort are very important, as you must remain motionless when birds are close.

SEAT ADJUSTMENT

The *Padded Seat* can be adjusted to the desired position by simply sliding the webbing seat straps until the seat is most comfortable for sitting and shooting. This can only be done through trial and error.

FLAGGING PORTS™

The *Flagging Ports™* are ergonomically angled to provide the most natural wrist, arm and shoulder motion while flagging. Always close the heavy-duty zippers when not in use.

FACEFLAPS™

The *FaceFlaps™* are designed to eliminate bird flaring from "face shine." In low light or brightly backlit situations, you may opt to fold these vinyl-coated polyester windows under and out of your line of sight. Attach the *FaceFlaps™* securely with the Velcro attachments when not in use. For best results, you should use the *FaceFlaps™* whenever possible.

CLEAN UP

The Finisher® is very easy to keep clean. Unzip the end of the *BootBag™*, raise the frame end of the blind and allow all stubble and trash to fall out of the hole. The interior fabric can be wiped clean with a wet rag, and the exterior *Camo Cover* can be sprayed clean with a water hose. Proper care and cleaning will insure a long life for your Finisher®.

Trouble Shooting

There are answers to any question you might have about the Finisher®. Following are a few frequently asked questions and the answers:

Question: Why does my Finisher® sometimes "bind up" when laid flat?

Answer 1: You must pull the fabric away from the rear corners

of the *FlipTops™* to expose the 90-degree bends in the tubes.
 Answer 2: Make sure that all gear has been removed from the blind.

Question: Why won't my Finisher® fold up completely?
 Answer 1: Make sure the *FlipTops™* are in the "open" position.
 Answer 2: Make sure the *HeadRest* was placed to one side of the floor's centerline before folding.
 Answer 3: Make sure that you have removed all of the excess stubble from the *CamoStraps™*.

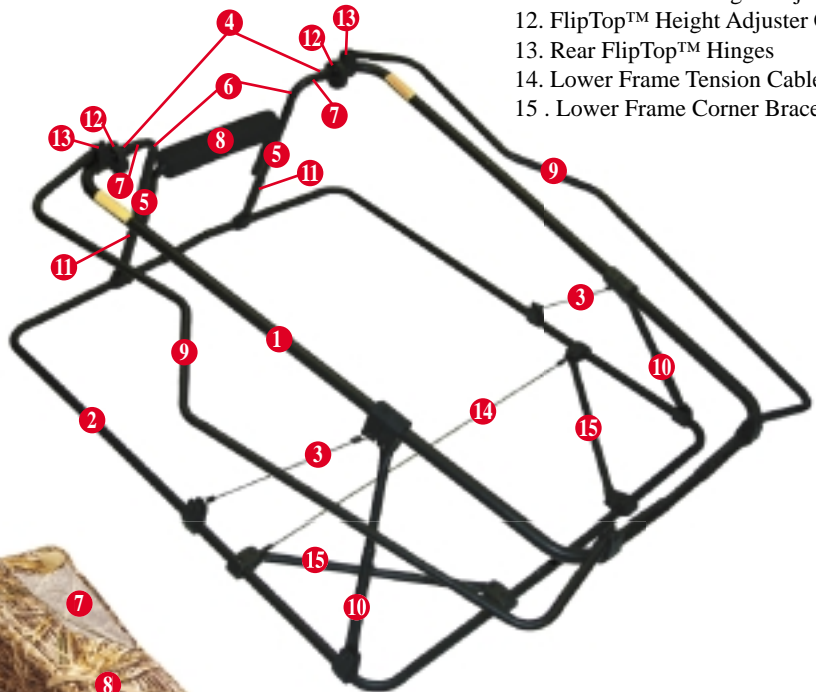
Question: Why are birds not "finishing"?
 Answer 1: Make sure you "mud" the *Camo Cover* as suggested.
 Answer 2: Make sure that the vegetation used to "stubble" your blind was gathered from the immediate area of the field you are hunting. The stubble must match the vegetation in the field so make sure that you use naturally bleached stubble.

Please feel free to contact us at 800 333-5119 should you have any questions about the assembly, operation and/or care of your FINISHER®.

Good hunting!

Frame Parts List

1. Upper Frame
2. Lower Frame
3. Tension Cables
4. HeadRest Post Push Buttons
5. HeadRest Posts
6. HeadRest Post Male Fittings
7. Upper Frame Female Receivers
8. HeadRest
9. FlipTops™
10. Frame Risers
11. HeadRest Post Height Adjusters
12. FlipTop™ Height Adjuster Cams
13. Rear FlipTop™ Hinges
14. Lower Frame Tension Cable
15. Lower Frame Corner Braces



Cover Parts List

1. Zippered BootBag™
2. Camo Cover
3. Padded Seat
4. Rear Panel Cinch Tabs
5. CamoStraps™
6. Flagging Ports™
7. FaceFlaps™
8. Door Handles
9. Floor

